PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-6, 9, 13, 14, 20, and 21 without prejudice.

Listing of Claims

Claims 1-6 (cancelled)

Claim 7 (original): A method of cutting tissue in a body passage comprising selecting a catheter having a first lumen configured for receiving a wire guide, a second lumen configured for receiving an electrosurgical cutting wire, positioning said catheter in said passage at a desired position using an endoscope, actuating the electrosurgical cutting wire in the second lumen, the improvement comprising:

orientating said electrosurgical cutting wire by rotating a handle relative to a proximal end of said catheter.

Claim 8 (original): The method of claim 7 wherein said cutting wire is affixed to said handle, wherein said step of rotating said handle causes a rotation of a proximal end of said cutting wire whereby said cutting wire is caused to rotate within said second lumen.

Claim 9 (cancelled)

Claim 10 (original): The method of claim 7 further comprising:

inhibiting further rotation of said handle relative to said proximal end of said catheter by engaging a rotation lock.

Claim 11 (original): The method of claim 7, further comprising:

indicating an amount of rotation of said handle relative to said proximal end of said catheter through the use of a rotation indicator.

Claim 12 (original): The method of claim 11, wherein said step of indicating an amount of rotation includes a visual indication of said amount of rotation.

Claim 13-14 (cancelled)

Claim 15 (original): A catheter handle comprising:

a rotatable coupling configured to allow free rotation of a proximal end of a catheter; and

a clamping member configured to engage a proximal end of a device extending through a lumen formed in said catheter whereby rotation of said handle causes rotation of a proximal end of said device in said lumen.

Claim 16 (original): The catheter handle of claim 15, wherein said device comprises a cutting wire extending from said proximal end of said catheter to and connecting to a distal end of said catheter.

Claim 17 (original): The catheter handle of claim 15, further comprising:

a rotation lock engageable to inhibit a rotation of said handle with respect to said proximal end of said catheter.

Claim 18 (original): The catheter handle of claim 15, further comprising:

a rotation indicator configured to indicate an amount of rotation of said handle relative to said proximal end of said catheter.

Claim 19 (original): The catheter handle of claim 18, wherein said rotation indicator comprises a visual indicator of said amount of rotation.

Claim 20-21 (cancelled)